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SUBJ: "CIA THREAT" IN SRI LANKA GAIN HITS FRONT PAGE

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1. UNDER BANNER FRONT-PAGE HEADLINE "SRI LANKA NEXT CIA
TARGET? - 'BLITZ'", "CEYLON

DAILY MIRROR" PICKED UP ALLEGED STORY IN INDIAN
WEEKLY 'BLITZ' REPORTING SRI LANKA TO BE "NEXT
TARGET FOR ATTACK BY THE CIA." ACCORDING TO
MIRROR ACCOUNT, INDIAN PRIME MINISTER GANDHI HAS
WARNED "HER YOUNGER MP'S" FOR "QUITE SOME TIME"
THAT SRI LANKA, BANGLADESH AND INDIA WOULD BE
CIWFJS VX"NEXT TARGETS." MIRROR QUOTES 'BLITZ' AS
SAYING SRI LANKA PM BANDARANAIKE SEEMS TO SHARE
THIS VIEW AND THOSE OF GSL
MINISTER OF FINANCE N. M. PERERA WHO RECENTLY CHARGED

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THAT AMEMBASSY COLOMBO FINANCED

OPPOSITION POLITICAL PARTIES WITH PL-480 FUNDS.

US IS REPORTED INTERESTED IN "DESTABILIZATION"
OF SRI LANKA, BANGLADESH, AND INDIA.

2. COMMENT: THIS IS LATEST PRESS REPLAY GENERATED
BY PL-480 STORY RELATED TO PERERA'S ALLEGATIONS
APRIL 21 AND MAY 1 (REFTELS). (STORY FIRST APPEARED
IN "MIRROR," "BLITZ" PLICKED IT UP, AND NOW "MIRROR"
PICKS UP "BLITZ".) AS ON APRIL 21, PRESS ARTICLE
FOLLOWS BY ONE DAY PERERA DEPARTURE FROM SRI LANKA
FOR EXTENSIVE OFFICIAL TRAVEL ABROAD.

3. FOR NEW DELHI: PLEASE POUCH ANY AVAILABLE
PRESS MATERIAL ON CHARGES BY FINANCE MINISTER
N.M. PERERA RE US INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL
AFFAIRS OF SRI LANKA THROUGH USE OF PL-480
RUPEES.
VAN HOLLEN

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